

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

September 28, 2023

Catherine Szpindor
Chief Administrative Officer
HB-26, Capitol Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Ms. Szpindor,

I am writing to preemptively request that my pay be withheld for the duration of a potential lapse in federal government funding.

It's Congress's duty to ensure that the government is funded properly, transparently, and on time. We have known for months that the September 30th deadline was approaching, and although the Speaker had promised in January that we would pass the 12 appropriation bills, there has been nothing but inaction. If this negligence continues, Congress should not be paid until it does its job.

In the event of a lapse in federal government funding, please withhold my pay until the government is responsibly funded.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Matthew M. Rosendale, Sr.", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Matthew M. Rosendale, Sr.
Member of Congress